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other hand, the following cities had lower rate of mortality than Berlin, namely, Hamburg, Frankfurt-on-Main, Stuttgart, Carlsruhe, Brunswick, Hanover, Schöneberg (with 10.9 each), and Charlottenburg (with 10 per thousand).

There was a slight increase in the number of deaths among children in the first year of life, so that the decreased mortality was exclusively among the higher age classes. The infant death rate amounted to 3.6 per years and thousand, thus being lower than the Munich and Leipsic figure, but somewhat higher than the Hamburg rate. Acute diseases of the respiratory organs again showed an increase, causing 56 deaths (including 4 from influenza). Acute intestinal diseases showed no change, claiming 51 victims. Six infants succumbed to cholera. Furthermore, there were registered 77 deaths from phthisis pulmonalis, 34 deaths from cancer, 7 deaths from scarlet fever, 6 deaths from diphtheria, 3 deaths from measles, 1 death from enteric fever. Finally, 13 persons died by violence.

### *Plague and cholera in various countries.*

#### *Plague.*

*Egypt.*—During the week from the 22d to the 28th of October, one case of plague was registered in Alexandria and 1 death.

*British India.*—During the week ended the 15th of October there were registered in the Bombay Presidency 12,714 fresh cases of plague, with 9,879 deaths; of which 75 cases (67 deaths) occurred in the city of Bombay; 9 cases (11 deaths) in Karachi; 218 cases (218 deaths) in Surat; 25 cases (23 deaths) in the ports of Jodia and Porbandar.

*British South Africa.*—In Durban a fresh case of plague occurred during the week ended the 1st of October.

#### *Cholera.*

*Russia.*—In the Trans-Caspian territory there were registered between the 17th and 24th of October 3 fresh cases of cholera, 1 in Merv, 1 at the station Kisil-Arwat, and 1 in Serachs. In Baku during the week ended the 25th of October there were registered 26 cases of cholera, as compared with 60 in the preceding week, with 19 deaths, as compared with 24 in the foregoing week. In Astrakhan during the period from the 18th to the 26th of October there were registered 15 cases of cholera (with 6 deaths).

In Baku, according to later reports, there have been registered during the period from the 28th of August to the 11th of October a total number of 269 cases of cholera (with 161 deaths), and from the 12th to the 23d of October there occurred 76 cases of cholera (with 37 deaths).